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For: APPARATUS FOR SEPARATING AND  
PURIFYING NUCLEIC ACID AND METHOD  
FOR SEPARATING AND PURIFYING  
NUCLEIC ACID

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**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated September 27, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.